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# H. R. 14300

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 9, 1969

Mr. NEDZI (for himself and Mr. PETTIS) introduced the following bill; which  
was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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## A BILL

To amend title 44, United States Code, to facilitate the disposal of Government records without sufficient value to warrant their continued preservation, to abolish the Joint Committee on the Disposition of Executive Papers, and for other purposes.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
- 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 That chapter 33 (relating to disposal of records) of title 44,
- 4 United States Code, is amended by inserting immediately
- 5 after section 3303 thereof the following new section:

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1    **“§ 3303a. Examination by Administrator of General Serv-**  
2                   **ices of lists and schedules of records lacking**  
3                   **preservation value; disposal of records**

4       “(a) The Administrator of General Services shall ex-  
5   amine the lists and schedules submitted to him under section  
6   3303 of this title. If the Administrator determines that any  
7   of the records listed in a list or schedule submitted to him  
8   do not, or will not after the lapse of the period specified,  
9   have sufficient administrative, legal, research, or other value  
10  to warrant their continued preservation by the Government,  
11  he may—

12           “(1) notify the agency to that effect; and

13           “(2) empower the agency to dispose of those rec-  
14   ords in accordance with regulations promulgated under  
15   section 3302 of this title.

16       “(b) Authorizations granted under schedules submitted  
17  to the Administrator under section 3303 (3) of this title  
18  shall be permissive and not mandatory.

19       “(c) The Administrator may request advice and counsel  
20  from the Committee on Rules and Administration of the  
21  Senate and the Committee on House Administration of the  
22  House of Representatives with respect to the disposal of any  
23  particular records under this chapter whenever he con-  
24  siders that—

1       “(1) those particular records may be of special in-  
2       terest to the Congress; or

3       “(2) consultation with the Congress regarding the  
4       disposal of those particular records is in the public in-  
5       terest.

6       However, this subsection does not require the Administrator  
7       to request such advice and counsel as a regular procedure  
8       in the general disposal of records under this chapter.”.

9       SEC. 2. (a) Section 3308 (relating to disposal of similar  
10       records where prior disposal was authorized) of title 44,  
11       United States Code, is amended by striking out “by Con-  
12       gress”.

13       (b) Section 3309 (relating to preservation of claims of  
14       Government until settled in General Accounting Office) of  
15       title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking out “un-  
16       der sections 3306-3308 of this title” and inserting in lieu  
17       thereof “under this chapter”.

18       (c) The following sections of chapter 33 of title 44,  
19       United States Code, are hereby repealed:

20               (1) section 3304 (relating to lists and schedules of  
21       records lacking preservation value and their submission  
22       to Congress by the Administrator of General Services) ;

23               (2) section 3305 (relating to examination of lists  
24       and schedules by the joint congressional committee for

1 the disposition of certain records of the United States  
2 Government and the report of that joint committee to the  
3 Congress) ;

4 (3) section 3306 (relating to disposal of records  
5 by agency heads upon notification by the Administrator  
6 of General Services of the action of the joint congress-  
7 sional committee) ; and

8 (4) section 3307 (relating to disposal of records  
9 upon failure of the joint congressional committee to act) .

10 SEC. 3. The table of sections of chapter 33 of title 44,  
11 United States Code, is amended by striking out—

“3304. Lists and schedules of records lacking preservation value; submission to Congress by Administrator of General Services.

“3305. Examination of lists and schedules by joint congressional committee and report to Congress.

“3306. Disposal of records by head of Government agency upon notification by Administrator of General Services of action by joint congressional committee.

“3307. Disposal of records upon failure of joint congressional committee to act.”

12 and inserting in lieu thereof—

“3303a. Examination by Administrator of General Services of lists and schedules of records lacking preservation value; disposal of records.”.

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